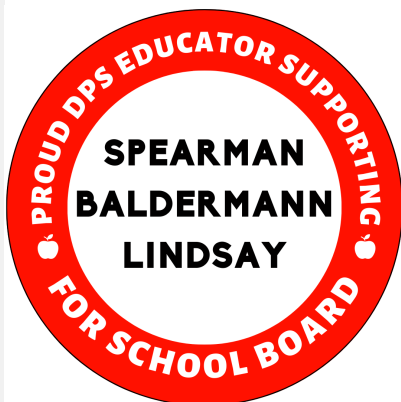




DCTA Slate

Happy Election Day! Get out and Vote!



It's not too late to vote in the school board election! Be sure to turn your ballot in before 7 PM tonight! Find a dropbox near you: <https://justvotecolorado.org/>

The DCTA Fund recommends supporting **Kwame Spearman, Scott Baldermann, and Charmaine Lindsay**. We also recommend voting "Yes" on Proposition HH, which helps address school funding without increasing property taxes.

For educator recommendations on statewide initiatives or local school board races outside Denver, visit the CEA Member voter guide at www.coloradoea.yourvoter.guide.

Let's come together and make our voices heard by voting Spearman, Baldermann and Lindsay for Denver School Board!

Remembering Jeannie Kaplan

We are deeply saddened by the passing of Jeannie Kaplan, a tireless advocate for Denver's students, educators, and strong public neighborhood schools. Jeannie was a passionate champion for equitable and fully fully funded schools and a vocal opponent of the privatization of our public schools. Her two terms on the school board were a true testament to her commitment to improving working and learning conditions for students and educators in Denver Public Schools.

Her legacy will continue to inspire us in our fight to provide every student with a high quality and fully supported education regardless of their background or zip code.

Polis Prioritizes School Funding in his Bold Budget Proposal

We applaud Governor Jared Polis' FY2023-24 state budget proposal, which places a strong emphasis on much-needed funding for Colorado's public schools. The proposed full buy down of the Budget Stabilization factor underscores the Governor's attentiveness to

educators' concerns and his unwavering commitment to strengthening our public education system, ensuring that every student has access to a high-quality education. Colorado is never, ever getting back together with the BS Factor.

Highlights of the Governor's budget proposal include:

- Full Buy Down of the Budget Stabilization Factor: Governor Polis's proposal addresses this critical issue, ensuring that the state's budget is no longer balanced on the back of our schools.
- Increase Per Pupil Funding: The budget prioritizes an average increase of \$705 more per pupil, allowing schools to provide a better learning environment and resources for students.
- Funding for summer EBT program: Help over 300,000 food-insecure children receive the nutrition they need in the summer.
- More Housing Now: Prioritizing state funding and policy to increase Colorado's housing supply.

[CEA Press Release >>](#)

Portland Association of Teachers on Strike!

Portland teachers, parents, and community members have come together to demand the great public schools our students deserve and the future demands. They are seizing this opportunity to build the learning environments families need, to create safe and modern classrooms, to provide the one-on-one attention their students deserve, and to properly value educators with competitive wages and benefits.

The DCTA Executive committee has signed onto a letter of support for PAT on behalf of our membership. We are additionally donating \$500 to their association's strike fund.

LEAP Observation Cycles

This is your friendly reminder that you should be in the midst of your first LEAP observation cycle by now. It is important that administration adheres to the timeline as accurately as possible. If you have not yet received your first evaluation, please touch base with your principal or observer as soon as possible. Please also note that you must be notified of your observation by at least Thursday the week beforehand.

[LEAP Coaching Cycles One-Pager >>](#)

Register Your CSC/SAC Members Today!

RSVP TODAY FOR A CSC/SAC VIRTUAL KICK OFF! To support your school's efforts to have the most effective CSC/SAC possible, the District Accountability Committee ([DAC](#)) is building out a DAC-CSC/SAC pipeline. To launch this new initiative, the DAC is working with

DPS Central, DCTA and other partners to host a CSC/SAC virtual kick off event on **Thursday, November 9th, from 5:15-6:30 pm**. All CSC/SAC members are welcome!

- The DAC's goal is for the kickoff to be interactive, impactful and fun!
- Register your CSC/SAC members [here](#)
- If you have a second to let the DAC know what would make this time meaningful for you, the DAC is all ears! Share your perspective [here](#) by Friday, October 20th.

Questions? Contact Haruka Fushimi at harukafushimi@gmail.com. You can also learn more about this effort [here](#). Thank you, and we look forward to seeing you and your CSC/SAC teams on November 9!

California Casualty Athletics Grant: Apply Today!

The California Casualty Thomas R. Brown Athletics Grant was established to provide support to public school sports programs impacted by reduced budgets. As an employee of the school and a member of DCTA, you can apply for a grant award for your school's sports program!

[Apply Today >>](#)



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